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## Cecelia McCloy Named to National Women's Business Council

Federal Appointment for Danville, CA-based Businesswoman

**Washington, DC** – Cecelia McCloy, President and CEO of Walnut Creek, CA-based Integrated Science Solutions, Inc. (ISSi), has been appointed to a three-year term on the National Women's Business Council. McCloy started ISSi, a certified woman-owned science and engineering firm, in 1999 with her partner, David Dobson. Since then, the company has grown to 75 people in six locations across the United States.

The National Women's Business Council is a bi-partisan Federal government council that serves as an independent source of advice and counsel to the President, Congress, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on economic issues of importance to women business owners. The Council's mission is to promote bold initiatives, policies and programs designed to support women's business enterprises at all stages of development in the public and private sector marketplaces -- from start-up to success to significance. Members of the Council are prominent women business owners and leaders of women's business organizations.

"On behalf of the entire National Women's Business Council, I am thrilled to welcome Cecelia McCloy as our newest member," said Tami Longaberger, Chair of the National Women's Business Council and Chair and CEO of The Longaberger Company. "As a successful woman business owner and a leader in her field, Cecelia brings a wealth of valuable experience to the Council. I'm confident the Council will be enriched by her participation and I look forward to working with her to advance the priorities of women business owners."

McCloy has a Masters Degree in Geology from Stanford University and has spent the last 25 years managing engineering and applied science programs. In 2006, she was invited by the U.S. Department of State to serve as a featured speaker and participant at the Middle East and North Africa Businesswomen's summit in Abu Dhabi, United

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Arab Emirates. She has also testified before the House Small Business Committee on regulatory flexibility for small businesses. McCloy was identified as one of five Women to Watch in the May 2006 issue of *Diablo* magazine and a Best Bosses finalist in 2005 by *Fortune Small Business*/Winning Workplaces. She is an active member of the Women's President Organization and a national partner of Women Impacting Public Policy. Integrated Science Solutions was named the 2007 Small Business Administration Region IX Prime Contractor of the Year. ISSi has also been recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as being one of the Bay Areas' Best Workplaces for Commuters in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006. The company has been listed as one of the Fastest Growing Businesses by the East Bay Business Times and San Francisco Business Times in 2006, 2005, 2004, and 2003. In addition, the company promotes interest in science and technology by employing college students majoring in science or engineering through a disadvantaged student internship program called INROADS.

"I am honored to be asked to serve on the National Women's Business Council," said McCloy. "I am eager to work with my fellow entrepreneurs on the Council to advance the cause of women's business ownership, and I hope my experience as a business owner will encourage more women in the U.S. and worldwide to start their own businesses."

As the nation's advocate for the more than 10.6 million women-owned businesses in the U.S., the National Women's Business Council works to promote increased access to affordable health care, access to capital, access to federal contracts and international markets, and access to the information and expertise women business owners most need to succeed. Women-owned businesses currently represent nearly half (48%) of all U.S. firms, employing 19.1 million people and generating nearly \$2.5 trillion in sales.

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